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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)  
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 USC 371**

International Application No.: PCT/BE96/00087  
International Filing Date: August 14, 1996  
Priority Date Claimed: August 15, 1995  
Title of Invention: NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES ENCODING PEPTIDES HAVING PRONOCICEPTIVE PROPERTIES  
Applicant(s) for DO/EO/US: Marc Parmentier, Gilbert Vassart, Jean-Claude Meunier and Catherine Mollereau

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1.  This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 USC 371.
2.  This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 USC 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 USC 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
3.  A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
4.  A copy of the International Application as filed (35 USC 371(c)(2))
  - a.  is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b.  has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c.  is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
5.  Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3))
  - a.  are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b.  have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c.  have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d.  have not been made and will not be made.
6.  Eleven (11) pages drawing.
7.  A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report with any annexes thereto, such as any amendments made under PCT Article 34.

**Items 8. to 14. below concern other document(s) or information included:**

8.  A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
9.  Diskette (computer readable form) of the Sequence Listing.

**Please Note: Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f), the undersigned hereby verifies that the information in the computer readable form is the same as the information included in the paper copy of the Sequence Listing included within the enclosed preliminary amendment.**

10.  International Application as published.
11.  PCT Form PCT/IPEA/402, 401, 409 and 416.

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12. (X) PCT Form PCT/IB/308, 301 and 332.

13. (X) PCT request form.

14. (X) PCT Form PCT/ISA/202, 210 and 220.

15. (X) A return prepaid postcard.

16. (X) The following fees are submitted:

17. (x) PCT FORM PCT/IB/304

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<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS</b>			<b>\$1,018</b>
<b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED</b>			<b>\$930</b>

17. (X) The fee for later submission of the signed oath or declaration set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(e) will be paid upon submission of the declaration.

18. (X) A check in the amount of \$930.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.

**NOTE:** Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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I hereby certify that the accompanying

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Sequence Listing; 11 pages Drawing; International Application as Published; Request *PCT/IB*  
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